

A dramatic scene with a man breaking chains and a spiked metal cage. The man is in the foreground, seen from behind, wearing a dark hoodie and has his arms raised in triumph, breaking through chains. He is standing in a dark, cavernous space with a large, glowing light source behind him, creating a strong silhouette and illuminating the scene with a golden glow. Debris is scattered on the ground around him. To the left, a large, spiked metal cage sits on the ground, with a large, roasted piece of meat hanging from a hook above it. The overall atmosphere is one of liberation and triumph.

FREEDOM FROM OFFENSE

YES YOU CAN RECEIVE FREEDOM FROM OFFENSE

LUKE 17:1-6

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A SERMON SERIES ON FORGIVENESS

WEEK 1: RELEASE THE OFFENSE



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SERMON NOTES

Series: Yes, You Can

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POINT 1 THE REALITY OF OFFENSE

A. Offense is Inevitable – Luke 17:1

- Offenses will come
- No one is exempt

B. Offense is Intentional – Matthew 24:10

- Offense > Betrayal > Hatred
- Satan uses people to trap believers

C. Offense is Internal

- Not what happens to you
- What happens in you

POINT 2 THE ROOT OF OFFENSE

A. Pride Produces Offense – Proverbs 13:10

- I didn't deserve that
- Being right > being free

B. Perception Distorts Offense – Hebrews 12:15

- We assume motives
- Offense clouds judgment

C. Pain Prolongs Offense – Hebrews 12:15

- Unhealed wounds grow roots
- Bitterness begins underground

SELF REFLECTION

- ✓ Who or what am I still holding onto?
- ✓ Where have I taken the bait?
- ✓ What offense do I need to release today?

APPLICATION

- ✓ Identify the offense
- ✓ Acknowledge the hurt
- ✓ Choose to release it

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Point 3: The Result of Offense

- A. It Imprisons You — Proverbs 18:19
 - B. It Pollutes Others — Hebrews 12:15
 - C. It Interrupts Your Walk with God — Mark 11:25
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Self-Reflection

Who or what am I still holding onto?

Application

Identify it • Acknowledge it • Release it
